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In re Application of Scherr, et al. Application No. 09/826,323 Filed: April 4, 2001 Attorney Docket No. 041892-0209

DECISION ACCORDING STATUS UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

This is in response to the petition pursuant to  $37\ \text{CFR}\ 1.47\,\text{(a)}$ , filed January 11, 2002.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is **GRANTED** 

The above-identified application was filed on April 4, 2001, without the filing fee or an executed oath or declaration. Accordingly, on June 4, 2001, the Initial Parent Examination Division mailed a Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application. This Notice set a two month period for reply.

In reply, applicant filed the instant petition (and fee) and paid the filing fee together with the surcharge for late filing of the declaration. To make timely this reply, applicant obtained a four month extension of time and included a Certificate of Mailing dated December 4, 2001. Applicant included a declaration signed by co-inventors Scott Jeffrey Sherr, Eva Miranda, Ira Steven Rubenstein, Sean Brennan Carey, Yair Landau, Andrew C. Frank, Bryan Gentry Spaulding, Seth David Palmer, Bruce Forest, and Steven Koenig. The declaration lacked signatures from co-inventors Brian David Lakamp, Charles Jonathan Evans, Everton Anthony Schnabel, Hartmut Ochs, Jeremy Eli Barnett, Todd Michael Henderson, and William W. Chong.

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) requires: (1) proof that the non-signing inventor cannot be reached or refuses to sign the oath or declaration after having been presented with the application papers (specification, claims, drawings, oath or declaration); (2) an acceptable oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63; (3) the petition fee; and 4) a statement of the last known address of the non-signing inventors.

On petition, attorney Ted R. Rittmaster included a declaration of facts in which he detailed the efforts taken to transmit the application papers to the non-signing inventors. Also included on petition were, inter alia, copies of the cover letters to each of the non-signing inventors, transmitting the application papers. According to Rittmaster, no declarations from the non-

signing inventors have been received.

The declaration filed January 11, 2002 and the petition have been reviewed and found to be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in 37 CFR 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application file is being returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for continuation of pre-examination processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to Petitions Attorney Cliff Congo at (703) 305-0272.

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Dear Mr. Chong:

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Dear Mr. Barnett:

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Dear Mr. Ochs:

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Dear Mr. Schnabel:

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Dear Mr. Evans:

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Dear Mr. Lakamp:

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